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MINOR LOCAL MATTERS.

AFFAIRS CAUGHT BY OUR LOCAL REPORTER AND NOTED.

Written in Condensed Form and Printed in Like Manner for the Sake of our Weary Readers.

The weather is full of fall.

Send us the news from your section.

Three weeks from today will be Thanksgiving.

When you fail to get your paper please notify this office.

The students at Clemson college will attend the State fair.

No prosperity can be obtained with falling prices in agricultural products.

The County Treasurer is in his office now, and will be for the next ten days, to receive taxes.

Now is the time to push the pigs and get them ready for the knife when the frost is on the ground.

John McFarlan, another cotton thief, has been put to work on the chaingang. His term is thirty days.

The rainy weather made it pretty hard upon those who are forced to come a long way to attend court.

The sheriff made one land sale last Monday. The land was bought by John A. Kelley, Esq., attorney for \$851.00.

President McKinley has issued his first thanksgiving proclamation, setting apart Thursday, Nov. 25th, as the day.

There should be no trouble in raising a sufficient fund to erect a suitable monument to the Confederate soldiers of this county.

Let every young man, a son or a grandson of a Confederate veteran, attend the meeting in the court house next Monday night.

The camp of Sons of Confederate Veterans that is to be organized in the court house next Monday night promises to be formed with a large membership. This is as it should be for upon the sons of veterans will devolve the duty of keeping alive the memory of the noble heroes who fought and died for the south.

Kingstree Lodge No 46 A. F. M. will meet tomorrow (Friday) night. As all Masons are one family, no invitations should be necessary, and it is hoped that visiting brethren will attend.

As there seems to be some confusion as to the date of the Southeast Baptist Association, Moderator Edwin Harper has requested us to state that Thursday, Nov. 18th is the day.

Only one land sale was made by the Clerk last Monday. In the case of Mosson vs Cooper the land was bought by Mr. D. Z. Martin for \$175.00. The case of Belin vs Cockfield was settled and withdrawn.

The legislature at its last session passed an act requiring six of the grand jury for this year to be drawn to serve for next year, and then six of the new ones every year thereafter at the last term of court each year. In accordance with this act, the following of the grand jury who served this year will also serve, with twelve new ones, next year: B L Lawrence, C W McClam, A L Tobias, R B Smith B F Brochinton, Jr., W T Blake.

A telegram has just been received announcing the death of Mr. E. G. Chandler, which occurred in Charleston last night.

A Noble Cause.

A very important meeting, of Camp Pressley, U. C. V., was held in the court house last Monday. It was decided to try to raise enough money to erect a suitable monument to the memory of the Confederate soldiers of Williamsburg county. The following comrades were elected officers of the monument association: Dr. S D M Byrd, president; Mr S J Snowden, vice president; Mr J A Kelley, secretary; Mr Wm Kinder, treasurer. A resolution was passed requesting the ladies to form a monument association, and try to raise funds for the erection of a monument.

We heartily endorse the action of the Camp, and trust that the monument will be erected before many months shall have passed into history.

Prof. E C Dennis.

The Edgefield Chronicle had this to say in its last issue concerning the former superintendent of our school:

As previously announced, Prof. Edward Dennis, the accomplished principal of the Edgefield Institute, led our weekly Y M C A meeting on Sunday afternoon last. The audience was very large—unusually so. This was of itself clear proof that Prof. Dennis, in a few weeks, has written his name high in Edgefield's love. His address was admirable in spirit, in instruction, in originality, and above all, in pure and beautiful English. The Y M C A welcomes him as a very earnest and valuable worker.

All who have dead buried at the Presbyterian cemetery are requested to send a hand on the morning of Nov. 18 for the purpose of finishing the work of cleaning the cemetery.

About two o'clock last Sunday morning the residence of Mr. J P Wheeler, about half way between here and Cades, was burned to the ground. The house was a new, two story building, and was not altogether completed. Mr. Wheeler lost part of his furniture also. The cause of the conflagration is supposed to have been a defective flue. There was no insurance on anything, and Mr. Wheeler's loss will be about \$1,200.

Mr. J R Howle will open a restaurant in the rear of Dr. Campbell's drug store, which will be kept in a first-class style and cooking 2nd to none. People attending court will find it to their advantage to take meals there, as they will be served at all hours. Fresh Fish, Oysters, Beef, Fruits &c., the best the market affords. Terms 25cts.

Thomas & Bradham will be found at their old stand in Kingstree from Oct. 1st with a nice lot of horses, ready to fill the wants of their friends and patrons. We will also be ready to collect accounts for stock sold last season. We expect to do some business here and will sell at a price to insure satisfaction. Thanking our friends for past favors and assuring them that we can do better by them than ever before, we solicit and early call.

THOMAS & BRADHAM.

Sow oats, and plenty of them.

THE WHEELS OF JUSTICE.

THE REGULAR NOVEMBER TERM OF COURT.

A Record of the Work Done up to the Hour of Our Going to Press.

The regular fall term of court for Williamsburg county convened last Monday. Judge Witherspoon Solicitor Wilson and stenographer Parrott were all in their respective places. Some time was consumed in going through the usual routine of business prior to getting down to real work. One or two of the jurymen were excused on account of sickness. Nine prisoners, all colored, were in the court house awaiting their respective trials, but one would never have supposed they anticipated conviction judging by the expressions of countenance.

The following true bills were found: James Stoney, cowstealing; McDowell Cole, assault and battery with intent to kill; John M. Donnahoe, assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature; William Singleton, housebreaking and larceny; Henry Davis, assault and battery with intent to kill; Eddie B. McAllister and Jane Cameron, adultery; Ezra K. McKnight, criminal assault.

No bill was found against Sharper McCrackin, charged with assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature.

The first case tried was that against James Stoney, charged with cowstealing. It will be remembered that Stoney brought a cow here several months ago and tried to sell it. His story about bringing the animal from Sumter did not seem plausible to the officers and the negro was arrested. The next day Mr. H L Polston, of Cades, came to town looking for a cow that had been stolen from him the day before. After hearing the evidence the jury was not long in reaching a verdict of guilty. The judge sentenced Stoney to 18 months at hard labor, saying to him that if he had not lied on the stand the sentence would have been only one year, the extra six months being added on account of Stoney's false testimony.

The case against John M Donnahoe, white, charged with assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature, was called for trial. Donnahoe cut one Sharper McCrackin, an old colored man, on the 24th day of December last while at the store of Hemingway & Co at Lambert P. O. The evidence in the case was all given Monday afternoon, and the arguments of the solicitor and M J Hirsch, Esq., the counsel for the defence, were made Tuesday morning. After a short deliberation the jury returned a verdict of "guilty." The defendant did not "show up" in the court house Tuesday at all, and up to the hour of going to press nothing has been heard of him.

McDowell Cole, a negro boy was next tried. Cole and one Jake Peterson, also colored, had a fight out near Single postoffice some time last spring. There were no witnesses on either side. Both the prosecutor and the defendant were in jail. Two prisoners who overheard a conversation between the two negroes were put upon the witness stand. Cole was without counsel, and the solicitor made no argument to the jury. After a few minutes the jury returned a verdict of "not

guilty."

The case against Henry Davis, colored, was then called. The charge was assault and battery with intent to kill. The defendant was represented by Thos. M Gilland, Esq. The verdict was guilty of assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature. He was sentenced to a fine of \$50 or eight months on the chaingang. William Singleton, another negro, plead guilty of housebreaking and larceny and was sentenced to fifteen months on the chaingang. Tuesday afternoon the case of Eddie B. McAllister and Jane Cameron was taken up. It is still in progress as we go to press, and will probably last till midday Thursday.

In Memoriam.

Died, in Kingstree, S. C., October 19th 1897, of degeneration of the brain, after a short illness, Mrs. Eliza A Scott, in the 72nd year of her age. She was the widow of John L. Scott, who died Feb. 3rd 1864, leaving her with three little children, one son and two daughters. Mrs. Scott was born at Lynchburg, Sumter County, S C, January 22, 1826. Her maiden name was Chandler. She was a sister of the late Maj. J B Chandler, of this county. Being left a widow with her children during the war she devoted herself with a fond mother's care to the rearing and educating of her children. She lived to see them all grown and married and to suffer the affliction of parting with her eldest daughter, who died in Florida in July 1887. Mrs. Scott was a woman of strong mind and marked character, at all times displaying those noble qualities which make their impress wherever employed. She erected her standard on a solid basis and lived up to it all through her life. She was a member of the Methodist church and practiced that religion which she professed.

A devoted mother and a good citizen has passed away.

Died—in Kingstree, S C, Oct. 21st, 1897, of hemorrhagic fever, after a few hours illness, Willie K Davidson, only child of the late Robert J Davidson, and grand child of Mrs. Eliza A Scott, whose death occurred only two days before. Willie died before he had reached manhood. He was a quiet and industrious boy, honorably working to make a living. His mother, who lives in Georgia, did not reach him until after his death. These sad things are occurring every day, but human nature is filled with sympathy for those who experience such afflictions.

FRIEND.

Sumter paper will please copy.

Having placed my wife behind the counter of my fruit stand adjacent to my barber shop, patrons of the shop are requested to bear in mind the fact and refrain from using profane or obscene language while in the building. This rule is absolute; violators of it will be refused admittance.

E. J. AOSTON.

The County Record \$1 a year.

Just received: 1200 bushels pure Texas rust proof oats, to be sold lowdown at S. M. Askins, Lake City, S. C.

ALL IN A PERSONAL VEIN.

A COLUMN OF LOCALS ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

And People You Don't Know.—Some are Our Own People and Some Are Not.

Mr. P. A. Wilcox, of the Florence Bar, is attending court here this week.

Walter H zard, Esq., of Georgetown, is attending court here this week.

Mr. E M Gregg, the popular cotton buyer, made a three days' trip to his home in Wilmington this week.

Miss Essie Benjamin has gone to Charleston where she will have her eyes treated by the celebrated Dr. Kollock.

Mr J M Matthews, of Lake City, brought to this office last Monday a curiosity in the shape of nine ears of corn in one shuck. Every ear is perfectly formed, full, and well developed. It is indeed a phenomenon.

Mr. A P Taylor, State agent for the Fidelity Mutual Insurance Co. of Philadelphia, has been in Kingstree for several days in the interest of his company. Mr. Taylor represents one of the very best insurance companies in the United States, and he has been doing some good work in and around Kingstree.

The Lenoir N. C. Topic has the following notice of Miss Maud Logan, of our town. She has been spending the summer in the mountains of North Carolina and is charmed with the scenery. At the request of friends she is teaching a class in elocution. The Topic says: Miss Maud Logan, of South Carolina, is stopping at the Clark House and has organized a class in elocution. She received her instruction at that celebrated South Carolina institution—Converse College—and seems to be quite a pleasant and accomplished young lady. A room at the Clark House is set apart for her class.

The Grand Central hotel is the place for visitors to the State fair to stop.

Sore Throat.



In a letter to Dr. Hartman, dated Dec. 27th, 1896, Geo. A. Blanchard, of Washington G. A., writes: "My throat has been in the habit of getting sore every year for the

last twenty years, and if any medical skill did me any good it was so little I did not know it. Two years ago my wife was down sick two months, I tried two doctors, but the case was a stubborn one of female trouble. I found in Pe-ru-na not only a good, safe remedy for sore throat but one for weakness and nervous prostration. I quit the doctor and purchased a bottle of Pe-ru-na, and in three days after my wife got up, and has been going every since, and I have not been bothered with bad sore throat. It used to last at least fifteen or sixteen days. Since we have used your medicine my wife has not lost a single day, and has gained over fifty pounds."

In a later letter, July, 22d 1897, Mr Blanchard writes: "All the sickness we have in the family is when we can not get Pe-ru-na. We people down south think that Pe-ru-na is a God-sent blessing. I recommended Pe-ru-na to friends of mind that has asthma and one bottle cured them. Whenever Pe-ru-na is used it speaks loudly for itself. Dr. Hartman, the original compounder of Pe-ru-na, has a receipt book on chronic which will be sent free by The Pe-ru-na Drug Mfg Co., Columbus, O.

Ask your druggist for a free Pe-ru-na Almanac for 1898-

Edited by Eesene & Epps.

The life of a benefactor to his race; a life that was spent in uplifting humanity; a life that was sacrificed in the interest of his fellow men; the life of a philosopher, a patriot and statesman, of a pure, noble, golden hearted gentlemen has gone out forever. He was not spared to be elected to the Mayoralty of greater New York, but death has cast the vote which brings to Henry George a righteousness eternal.

Buy what thou has no need of and ere long you will sell your necessities, was wisely remarked on one occasion by Benjamin Franklin. Determining where your necessities can be bought cheapest is sometimes difficult, but that being ascertained, then the burden of decision as to what to do rests with you. You are greatly aided by Lesesne & Epps in determining where to buy and if they are allowed to do so they will prove to you the wisdom of making your bill with them. They know that the price of that which brings money to the farmer is low but having bought heavily for the fall business, their goods must go, and the price of cotton will be offset in the prices of shoes, clothing, dry goods and groceries. Exercise that economy and business judgement, which is but your duty, by saving money on your purchases from LESSENE & EPPS.

You want an axe, go to Lesesne & Epps.

Six or eight boxes best axes bought to defeat the tariff, to be had from Lesesne & Epps for 60c each.